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When the CHURCH-IN-HANCOCK learned that the First Assemblies of God Church and Hospitality Center in Olongapo, Philippine Islands, were in urgent need of a refrigerator and typewriter, contributions ranging from \$1 to \$100 quickly began to pour in. Here HANCOCK's Chaplain David W. Plank, LCDR, USN, is shown presenting \$350 to the Reverend Emiliano Guevara, Church Pastor and Hospitality Center Director. Also shown in the picture is his wife, Elizabeth, and LCDR Chaplain Robert D. Tatum, CHC, USN, Chaplain for the Naval Station, Subic Bay, who generously supports and helps not only this church, but many Christian endeavors in the nearby city of Olongapo. The attack carrier HANCOCK is currently engaged in combat operations in the South China Sea. Its Commanding Officer is Captain H. P. Streeper. (Chaplain Plank is a member of the Northern California and Nevada District of the Assemblies of God.)
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GUEST EDITORIAL

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THINGS GOD DESIRES FOR YOU

In the only inspired letter to an individual church member in the Bible, we have an outline of some of the things God desires for each Christian.

The Apostle John, who had a more profound understanding of the love of God for His people than perhaps any other man other than our Lord Himself, wrote to the man Gaius in III John, telling of God's desire to bless him.

Because God does not change and the blessings of God upon our lives are contingent upon our obedience to His Word, the principles of this passage are applicable to us today.

By carefully reading the chapter, we notice the prevalent characteristic of Gaius was that he lived in truth. John is teaching us that truth is essential to godliness. Vs. 1. "... love in truth ...", Vs. 3. "... testify in truth ...", Vs. 4. "... walk in truth ...", Vs. 8. "... fellow-helpers in truth ... " add to this Vs. 12 which describes another member of the church also commended as a man of truth.

Our Lord emphasized the importance of truth as John records in the Gospels. 4:24 "... God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth ..." 8:32 "... Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free ..." 14:14 "... I am the way, the truth and the life ..." 17:17 "... Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is truth ... ".

In these days when the influence of false philosophies is increasing,

we can be confident that God will vindicate the truth of His Word. As the result of holding the truth God has promised blessings.

HAPPINESS

The natural mind often equates happiness with prosperity. Realistically we understand that material prosperity does not assure happiness, yet the proper balance of spiritual and material prosperity can contribute to genuine happiness. The authorized version of III John, Vs. 2 reads "... I wish that above all things thou mayest prosper ... " However later translators feel a better choice of words would simply be "... in all things ... or ... in respect to all things I wish thou mayest prosper ... ".

It is apparent that God wishes our natural prosperity to be commensurate with our spiritual development. Certainly we cannot imagine that a just God would desire us to prosper naturally in any way that would hinder us spiritually.

It seems evident that God desires prosperity for those that keep the truth. Christians who faithfully study the Scripture before planning the day's activities find that they receive wisdom and guidance from the Lord that enables them to conduct their business according to principles that bring prosperity. The business man who consistently kneels in fervent prayer at the beginning of each day will enjoy the benefit of divine blessing upon his business transactions. Faithful tith-

ing has been a proved means of blessings for Christians. Numerous testimonies are given by men raised in poor circumstances who have taken the Lord as their partner and faithfully given tithes and added offerings of love and today enjoy great wealth.

Could it be that the basic reason that so many professing Christians are impoverished materially as well as spiritually is that they have shamefully neglected the promise of God? We have this Scripture declaring that God desires to bless those who hold the truth.

HEALTH

Along with happiness, is the desire for health. Good health was the norm prior to the fall of man into sin. In the blissful surroundings of the Garden of Eden, there was absolutely no sickness. But with sin came sickness, and centuries of sinfulness have brought with them a prevalence of sickness. When we are born again, eternal life is restored to us. We still live in the environment of sickness of a sinful world. But, salvation also carries the promises of divine healing. Each major statement concerning redemption includes the provisions of healing. From Exodus we read "... If thou wilt diligently hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear unto His commandment, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians; for I am the Lord which healeth thee ..." Add to this Peter's great discourse on the redemptive work of Jesus Christ upon the cross, I Peter 2 and the declaration, "... by whose stripes ye were healed ... ".

Faithful Christians in the times of illness have proven the promises of God by trusting for deliverance

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THE PASTOR — JOB CLASSIFICATION

by E. M. Clark, Superintendent
of the Illinois District.

THE PASTOR—JOB CLASSIFICATION

In my six years as a District Superintendent in the Assemblies of God a great many people have told me what they expect in a pastor. These requirements are many, and sometimes almost humorous, but after dealing with boards and congregations year after year I think I have learned what they are really looking for in a pastor. They are looking for a **SUCCESSFUL** pastor. If they find this man, they are happy. He may be far from perfect, but if he can lead their church in such a way that it is prosperous Spiritually and financially, they will love him.

EXECUTIVE

The successful pastor must be an **EXECUTIVE** with better than average Administrative Ability. He is the President of the most important corporation in his community. As top executive in this Corporation he must be a man of ability in this field.

PERSONNEL EXPERT

Even in the smaller churches he will have no less than fifteen church and Sunday School officers and teachers who will be working with him without pay. In the larger churches this number of unpaid personnel can run up well over one-hundred. Besides this, he must be ever on the alert for potential ministers in his congregation and give them training until they are ready for formal education in this field.

Keeping these people happy by proper job placement, training them and insiring them to work together, is a man-sized job, AND it is being done every week in churches all over America.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

The pastor will have to keep things smoothed out in the relationship between his board, the Sunday School officers and teachers, the Christ's Ambassadors, the Women's Missionary Council, Men's Fellowship Department, the musicians, the choir, and the ushers. He will have to see that, if trouble does arise in the congregation, it is not allowed to develop.

Then, there is the Church's image in the community. This must not be neglected. There is the press, radio, television, businessmen, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Town Council.



ADMINISTRATIVELY SPEAKING

JOSEPH L. GERHART
District Superintendent



PUBLIC SPEAKER

The pastor of First Assembly, Anytown, **MUST** be a good public speaker.

Most famous speakers are remembered for **ONE** outstanding speech. Think of it! **ONE GOOD SPEECH IN A LIFETIME!** The pastor must speak at least three times a week, and he'd better "ring the bell", at least one of those times if he wants to avoid a special-called business meeting.

COUNSELLOR

These are days when the world is sick. Eighty-seven per cent of that sickness is not organic in nature. It is brought on because of stress, strain, and frustration caused by living in a very rapidly changing world.

The successful pastor must spend a lot of time helping these people with their physical, emotional and financial problems.

IMAGE IN THE COMMUNITY

His home, his automobile, his clothes, his family, all must contribute to his image as one of the better class citizens of his community.

A good church will expect this of their pastor.

It is also required of an up and coming pastor of today that he entertain on the same level as the executive in the secular field.

EDUCATION

Wherever this man's education starts - **IT MUST NEVER STOP.** He must have a library that he uses, books and magazines that he reads. He must attend seminars, conventions, district and national church meetings.

The pastor must keep in touch with a rapidly changing world. He **MUST** keep abreast of the times. This is a necessity to high morale, faith and vision.

The pastor who keeps "in touch" with the church, the world, and with God will be like the palm tree of the Bible that continues to bear good fruit, even in old age.

The man who fails here will find himself working in an ever narrowing circle.

HEALTH

The average pastor in the United States works seventy hours per week.

The successful man in this field is hard-working and short-lived. Heart attacks, ulcers, and nervous breakdowns are common health hazards in this field, and that at an earlier age than it was ten years ago.

IN THE SECULAR FIELD

This calibre man will receive an average salary of \$18,000.00 per year, with the sharper ones running into very high salaries. He will have life and hospital insurance paid by the company, a paid retirement program, a chance to invest in the company, and an expense account that covers travel, entertainment, and almost everything else. At forty years of age this man has it made. He is well established in the company and is well established financially. He is ready now to accomplish some outstanding things in his field.

IN THE MINISTRY

The average pastor gets a salary of perhaps \$7,500.00 per year with a parsonage and utilities paid. The average man drives a car about 9,000 miles per year; the pastor will drive on the average of 21,000 miles per year. These 10,000 extra miles he drives for his church will come out of his salary of \$7,500.00.

At forty, he begins to realize that he will not live forever. He has no home. His children are reaching college age. He will need extra money to educate them. He has no retirement program and no emergency fund in case of unforeseen difficulty.

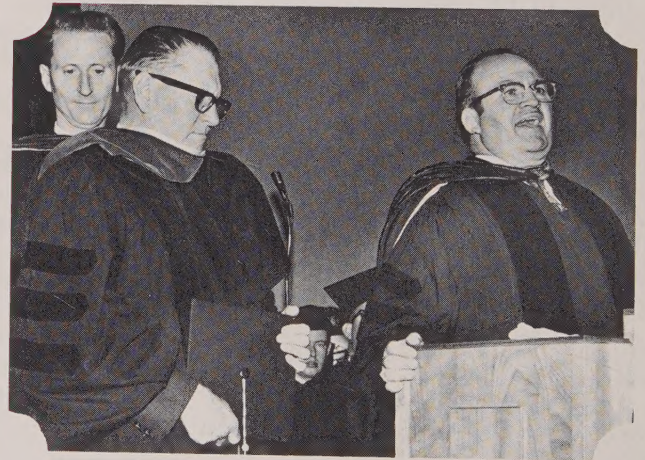
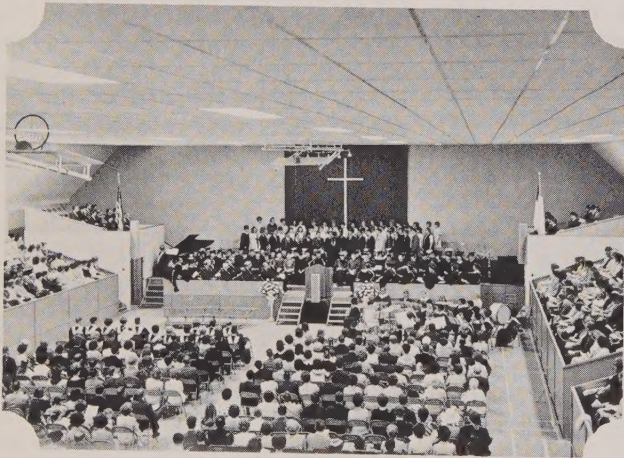
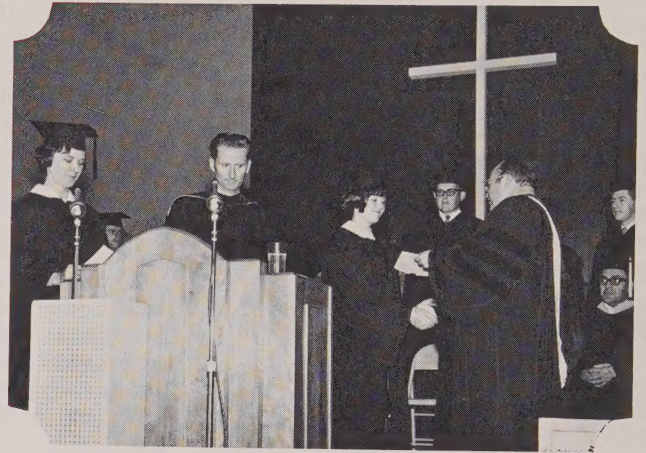
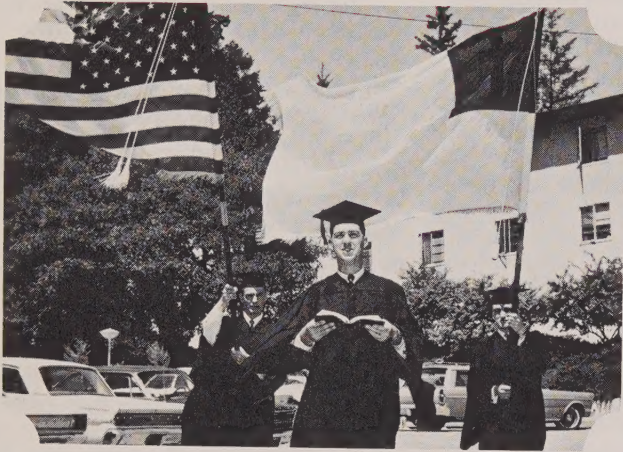
He hears of a minister friend who has had to quit work because of illness, and wonders what he would do if this happened to him. He sees an older minister who has been used mightily of God, working hard at some menial labor trying to eke out a living in his declining years.

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1967 COMMENCEMENT DAY

BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE
Santa Cruz, California

(CAPTIONS ON OPPOSITE PAGE)





RISNER REPRESENTS REVIVALTIME

The Reverend Jack E. Risner, national field representative for REVIVALTIME, international radio broadcast of the Assemblies of God, will be one of the featured speakers for the District-wide Ministers Institutes to be conducted during the month of September in these areas: Eureka, Redding, Santa Rosa, San Jose, South Lake Tahoe and Turlock.

Heard weekly over more than 460 ABC, independent and foreign stations, REVIVALTIME originates from its own 654-seat radio auditorium in Springfield, Mo. Among the broadcast's 60 key foreign outlets are three special releases beamed directly into Vietnam, via Far East Broadcasting Company's 50,000 watt station in Manila, Philippines.

A native of Oklahoma, the Rev. Risner held pastorates in Nebraska and New York, and for three years traveled as an evangelist. In 1963

he became director of the Assemblies of God Sunday school and youth programs in New York.

The field representative's association with REVIVALTIME dates back to his student days at Central Bible College, when he sang in the REVIVALTIME choir.



THE REV. JACK E. RISNER

DAVE PETERS ACCEPTS NEW CHALLENGE

Rev. Dave Peters has resigned as Chairman of Music at Bethany Bible College to accept a new full time ministry in music evangelism.

Having served churches in Turlock, Sacramento, North Hollywood, Portland and Calvary Temple in Denver, Rev. Peters will launch an enlarged ministry to churches that will include evangelism, music workshops, clinics and musicales. A recent Saturday Musicales was begun in the Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium where 1200 persons attend these monthly concerts.

A two-pronged phase of music ministry will be the heading of Radiant Song Recordings, featuring many top sacred artists and groups and the publication of choral and sheet music from outstanding composers and arrangers. Radio stations, Christian Book Stores and many churches are already being blessed by the printed ministry of song and on long play stereo albums. Radiant Song Records recently produced two Bethany Park Camp albums for the Northern California-Nevada District of the Assemblies of God.

Rev. Peters will be assisted by his wife Idee, well-known singer, composer and recording artist. They reside at 217 Magellan St. in Capitola, Calif. with their children, Dave Jr. 17, Stephen 6, and Susan age 3.

DON'T TAKE IT OUT ON GOD

Have you heard the story about the mother who brought her child to school the first day and told his teacher, "Now Johnny is a very sensitive child. If he does something wrong, just hit the child next to him and that will scare Johnny so that he will behave himself."

You know, I've known some mothers very much like that! But as I think on the matter, perhaps I've got some brethren that act just about the same way! They get mad at some of us and as strange as this may sound, they take it out on God.

Think on this: A man and wife have a fuss, so they don't go to church! Or, someone gets mad at the preacher, or one of the deacons, perhaps a Sunday School teacher, or some other member and they quit the church!

Quite frankly, that makes about as much sense as my getting frustrated and perturbed at George and spanking John! It just doesn't make sense, does it?

Think about this a long time the next time you get upset about something someone has done or said to you. Don't take it out on God.

North Texas District News.

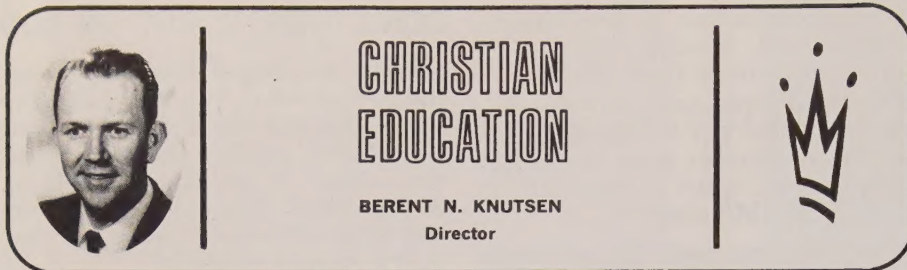
REV. DENNIS BENNETT of Seattle, Washington, writes these significant words, "We are in the middle of the most difficult mission field in the world — the burned-over, Gospel-hardened, pseudo-sophisticated American community. Foreign missionaries have it a lot tougher in matters of food, lodging, living conditions, physical danger, but not one can possibly have it tougher spiritually. The devil is just as active here as in Patagonia, but in definitely pagan lands he is recognized. In America he is not recognized, and therefore we are in the position of warning people about an enemy they don't believe in, but who is stalking them under cover of many of the things they most believe in!

"IF WE ARE TO DO A WORK for God in this mission field, it is going to take our full ingenuity and our full time. It isn't going to be done casually, and most church work in this land of ours is casual, and has been casual for so many years it has become a habit deeply ingrained! We shall need to discover an intensity of devotion if we are to reach the desperate needs right in our own back yards."

CAPTIONS FOR BBC GRADUATION

- #1 Roger Hillegas, Senior Class President, carrying the Bible, Nic Anderson, Student Body President, carrying the American flag, and Larry Grimes, carrying the Christian flag, prepare for the processional.
- #2 This is part of the Commencement Day crowd in the Redwood Auditorium.
- #3 Student speaker Bob Sapp makes a point during his address, "Children of Light."
- #4 William Mabery, during his address, "Even so Come," emphasized the soon return of Christ.
- #5 College President Cordas C. Burnett and Dean of Education L. T. Holdcroft are here presenting graduating students with their degrees.
- #6 Receiving the first Doctor of Divinity degree conferred by Bethany Bible College is Leland R. Keys, pastor of Bethel Church, San Jose. Dean of the College, L. T. Holdcroft, is placing the academic hood on Pastor Keys while Dr. Burnett reads the citation.
- #7 May V. Swanson, who, after 14 years, is retiring from Bethany's faculty, was honored in a reception Friday evening, May 26. She is here being escorted into the reception by Dr. Cordas C. Burnett, President of Bethany Bible College.

Registration for the fall semester at Bethany Bible College will take place on Tuesday, September 5. The college does have government funds available for qualified students who have financial need. Contact Business Manager Rev. Eldo Lindgren, care of the College, for further information.



AM I AN "OUTREACHER" FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL?

There is but one question of the hour: how to bring the truth of God's Word into vital contact with the minds and hearts of all classes of people.

—William Gladstone

1. How long has it been since I've made a new acquaintance?
 2. Am I willing to show interest in someone who has a different point of view than mine?
 3. How long has it been since I've had a conversation with a non-Christian?
 4. Do I carefully listen to what others tell me? Do I show respect for their ideas?
 5. Does anyone at school and work know I'm a Christian?
 6. Do I ever pray for my non-Christian acquaintances?
 7. Do I consider myself part of a rather exclusive clique at church?
 8. Do I make an effort to show friendliness to those who visit my Sunday School class?
 9. Do I pay attention to the good-looking, well-dressed visitors and tend to ignore the less attractive ones?
 10. When did I last invite someone to my Sunday School class?
- "GO . . . TO THY FRIENDS AND TELL THEM HOW GREAT THINGS THE LORD HATH DONE FOR THEE . . ." Mark 5:19

LIVING FOR TODAY

All our yesterdays are cause for the conditions of today and tomorrow. We cannot change the cause we affected yesterday, so we have only today; NOW. The only way we can have pleasant yesterdays is to live a good day each day. The only reason for a yesterday is to improve upon today.

Many times people have wished to know the future. Wouldn't it be simpler to make the future . . . to blueprint tomorrow? To live each day to its fullest, in every proper form, is setting up the CAUSE for the EFFECT of a proper future. You are a creative thinking soul with your own benefits and disappointments as effects of the causes you control today.

To live in such a manner so as to reduce the regrets for yesterday's actions, until there are no regrets, is a full-time job, TODAY. Create the proper plan for your future, and do everything within your power each day to have it unfold. No one can relive or change a yesterday, except the one that is coming tomorrow. And that is the only one we are living for TODAY.

AN OPEN LETTER TO JANE ORDINARY

Dear Jane:

I'm writing to help you shake this feeling of uselessness that has overtaken you. Several times you have said that you don't see how Christ can possibly use you — you're nobody special.

The Church must bear part of the responsibility for making you feel as you do. I have in mind the success-story mentality of the Church. Our periodicals tell the story of John J. Moneybags who uses his influential position to witness for Christ. At the church youth banquet we have a testimony from all-American football star Ox Kickoffski, who

commands the respect of his teammates when he witnesses for Christ. We've led you to think that if you don't have the leverage of stardom or a big position in the business world, you might as well keep your mouth shut — nobody cares what Christ has done for you.

We have forgotten an elementary fact about Christian witness, something that should encourage you: "God has chosen what the world calls foolish to shame the wise; He has chosen what the world calls weak to shame the strong. He has chosen things of little strength and small repute, yes, and even things which have no real existence to explode the pretensions of the things that are — that no man may boast



1967 ENLARGEMENT MONTH

The October Enlargement Campaign will challenge your Sunday school members to reach the world around them. The 1967 outreach features attractive and effective materials to put everybody in the witnessing forefront. Write today for your sample packet so you can start planning early. It's FREE!

NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Mo. 65802

FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF MEMBERS ONLY

October 27-November 2 is a most important week for you. The Christian Education Department is sponsoring a District Sunday School tour designed with you in mind. The Conventions will include:

Vic Trimmer — Nationally recognized Sunday School speaker

Workshops — For Secretaries

Irene Abrahamson — New Ideas to Make the Lesson Live

Departmental workshops, cradle roll through adult.

North Highlands, Friday, Oct. 29
Rio Dell, Monday, Oct. 30

Redding, Bethel, Thursday, Nov. 2

San Jose, Bethel, Friday, Nov. 3

El Sobrante, Saturday, Nov. 4

Modesto, Calvary, Monday, Nov. 6

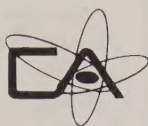
in the presence of God" (I Cor. 1:27-29, Phillips).

When Jesus Christ chose his disciples, He didn't choose Olympic champs or Roman senators. He chose simple people like you. Some were fishermen; one was a political extremist. Another was a publican — a nobody in that society. But these men turned the Roman world upside down for Christ. How did they do it? Through their popularity? They had none. Their position? They had none. Their power was the power of Christ through the Holy Spirit.

Jane, don't forget that we still need the ordinary in the hands of Christ to turn the world upside down.

—Christianity Today

1. Rev. Bob Rannells conducts training session at Youth Missions Mobilized Witness in Eureka, March 20-24.
2. Rev. Gordon Swanson coordinated the teams at Eureka.
3. The choir from Bethel Assembly in Eureka sings at an evening rally during the Witness.
4. A portion of the crowd at Eureka High School for an evening rally.
5. Dr. C. C. Burnett, speaker at the evening rallies.
6. Bob Rannells interviews several C. A.'s during a rally.
7. A lunch break during the Eureka Witness.
8. The Youth Missions Mobilized Team.

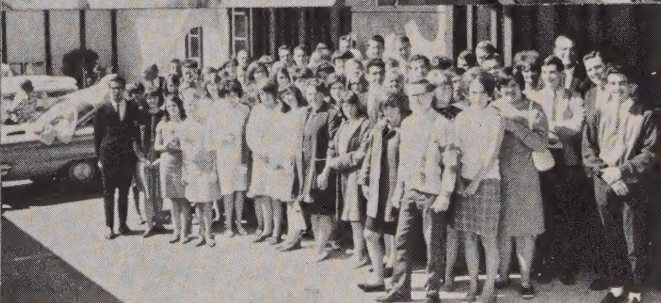
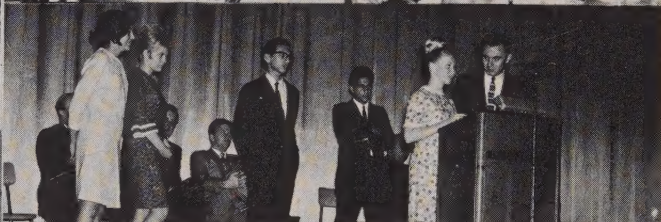
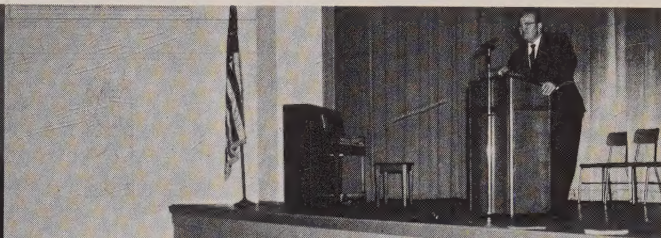
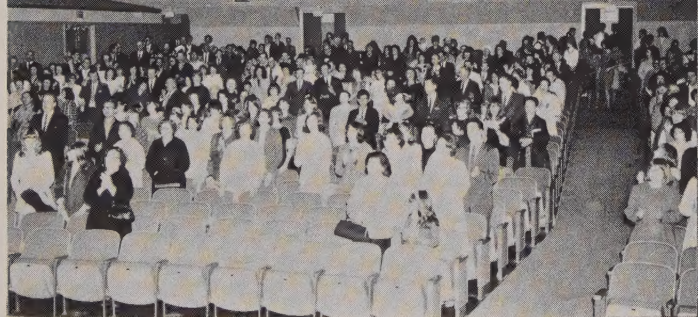


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YOUTH MISSIONS MOBILIZED — EUREKA PICTURE STORY



IT'S STILL CAMP SEASON!

Dates	Ages	Camp	Fees	Speaker
July 31-Aug. 5	15-19	Mt. Lassen Sr. Hi	\$23.00	Paul Bruton, Jr.
Aug. 7-12	12-19	Redwood	20.00	Don Annas
Aug. 14-19	12-19	Silver Spur	28.00	Denny Davis
Aug. 21-26	12-19	Lake Tahoe	28.00	Terry O'Neil



PEOPLE AND PLACES

news about
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BETHEL, SANTA CRUZ

... "Pastor Mel Woods reports that the recent 'Kids Crusade' conducted by Loretta and Norman Kaupanger was a huge success. There were 47 boys and girls who accepted Christ and 168 children enrolled for the week of meetings. Out of this number, 45 were from un-churched homes.

We have been redecorating the facilities, purchased a new organ, new draperies, new carpeting and other improved facilities. Plans are now in progress to black-top the parking lot.

Reverend and Mrs. Bill Gibson of Canada have been assisting Pastor Woods while attending Bethany. Bethel has been a 'home away from home' for many of the Bethany Bible College students during the past year."

EVANGELIST ETHEL LUNDEEN

... reports good meeting at the Mt. Sierra Assembly with Pastor and Mrs. L. T. Weaver. The evangelist was assisted by Bessie Johnson. Souls were saved and there were several outstanding physical healings. The congregation was built up spiritually."

PASTOR AND MRS. PAUL E. RADLEY

... Bethel Assembly in Fremont, resigned after eleven years of ministry. Reverend Radley was responsible for the building of the present church and has brought the congregation to its present excellent situation with property valued at more than \$250,000.00.

The Radleys expect to leave for the Philippine Islands around the first of the year to be associated with Missionary Paul Pipkin in the construction of a new Assembly.

Reverend Radley has served this District for many years not only as a Pastor but also as a Presbyter and a member of many District Committees and Boards.

We wish them God's best as they leave the church and prepare for their future ministry in the Philippines. Their present address is: Rt. 1, Box 320K, Twain Harte, Calif. 95383.

The Reverend Don Mallough, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, has been called by Bethel Assembly to serve as their Pastor.

McKINLEYVILLE

... "Our beautiful new redwood building was recently dedicated during our Sectional Fellowship meeting. The sanctuary seats 300 and there are fine Sunday School facilities. The afternoon speaker was Rev. Robert Parkinson of Garberville. Presbyter Joe Murray officiated in the evening service and Reverend J. W. Alcorn brought the dedicatory message.



The picture shows a family which has five generations attending the Assembly. Left to right: Laura Sutton, Tressie McKinney, Mrs. Hoyt Taylor, Mrs. Dwight Mullins and little Deena. These ladies are all members of the church and attend regularly. We are proud of them."

—Pastor George Alcorn

GABBS, NEVADA

The Assembly in Gabbs is putting the finishing touches upon a one thousand square foot educational addition built in a ten day period under the auspices of the Men's Fellowship of Escalon, California. The Escalon men were augmented by men from Fresno, Modesto, Salida, and Patterson. Pastor John Hudgens of Cotati drew the plans and Pastor Ruben Wilson Jr. and Men's Fellowship president Ray Silber organized the project.

Four large rooms were added to provide Sunday school rooms and youth and fellowship activity space. The new building is of frame constructed and is fully insulated. It is a part of a masterplan whose next unit calls for a modern apartment to replace the substandard and fast decaying temporary parsonage.

Pastors Hugo Williams from Salida, Merle Thornton from Patterson, and Roy Blakely from Modesto and associate Pastor Paul House from Fresno participated in the project as well as laymen and C.A.s from Escalon and Modesto.

The project took ten days of long hours climaxing months of prayer and planning. Derickson Trucking Company of Escalon provided free transportation of all the building materials.

Pastors in Gabbs are Zelma Straddin and Rose Mary Berlin.

SONOMA VALLEY ASSEMBLY OF GOD

A two week revival with the Franks Musical Party followed by a four night Youth Crusade with Evangelist Carolyn Lindblad was a real blessing. The Holy Spirit was outpoured in every service. In one Friday evening service over twenty-five Royal Rangers were at the altar weeping their way to the Lord in addition to many others of the congregation.

Ken Miller recently spoke to a combined Royal Ranger/Men's Fellowship banquet. It was a very profitable meeting.

A total of 33 men and boys attended the Royal Ranger Camporee at Mad River Forest Camp.

—Paul Boyd, Pastor

PASTOR A. DWIGHT BURCHETT

... of Bethany Church in Sacramento reports the best harvest of souls in their new sanctuary since his ministry began over 6 years ago. Bethany Church has recently heard missionary guests, John Stetz, Elmer Bueno and family, and also President of Bethany Bible College, C. C. Burnett. The church has doubled in attendance since moving into the new building in February. That observation was given to the pastor by a member of the congregation after a recent Sunday nite service. The church is at a never before position of blessing and optimism. God is to be praised!

TRANQUILLITY

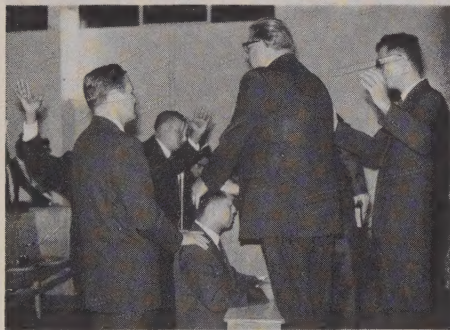
... "When we arrived here a little over two years ago our Sunday School attendance numbered in the twenties. However, we now enjoy an attendance of between 60 and 80.

The interior of our church has been remodeled with new carpet, padded pews and chancel furniture. We have also purchased a new parsonage at a cost of \$17,500.00. A Sunday School annex is on the drawing board and should be completed in the very near future."

—Pastor Robert E. Hudson

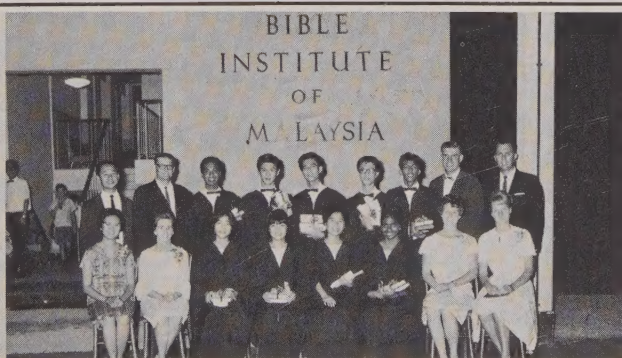
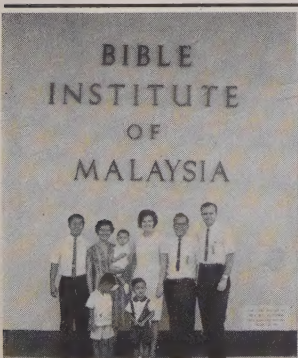
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MALAYSIA PICTORIAL:
10th ANNUAL GENERAL
COUNCIL OF MALAYSIA,
APRIL, 1967



Left Panel: 10th Annual General Council of Malaysia held in April. Delegates in front of Conference site. Alex Shevchuk, speaker, Executive Committee praying over Loren Chang at ordination service. Below: l-r, Alex Shevchuk, Don and Ruby McMurray, Faith and Loren Chang and children. 1966 Graduates of Bible Institute of Malaysia.

Right Panel: Special All-Day Meeting at Ipoh. Special Music by Choir. Installation of Church Stewards. Baptismal Service with Don McMurray assisting Bro. Sui Wai Pun, National Superintendent of Assemblies of God of Malaysia.

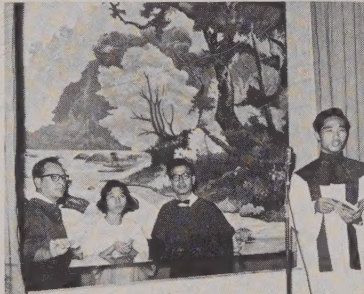




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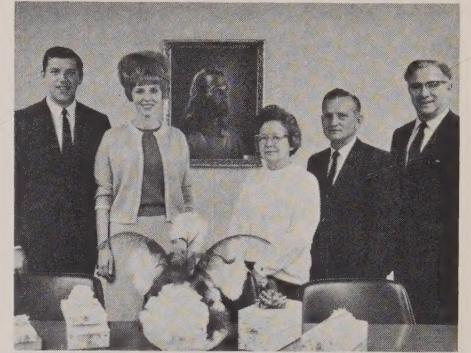
RUBEN A. WILSON
Director of
Home and Foreign Missions





REV. AND MRS. BILL WILLIAMS

... left New York on June 26 for Locarno, Italy where they attended the Annual Assemblies of God Missions Conference for European and Middle East Missionaries just prior to beginning their language study in preparation for ministering in Europe.



Anticipation, renewed dedication and joy are reflected in this picture taken at a farewell gathering early in June. Left to right: The Williamses, The Dowdys and Richard Ruff.

THE LOWELL DOWDYS

... are returning to Ecuador and will be located in Guayaquil. Their address is Casilla 3404.

RICHARD DUFF

... rejoins his wife who has remained in Switzerland to carry on the work there during his itineration in the United States.

ROSE ANN MURPHY

... writes from El Salvador that the latter part of June she will go to Costa Rica to study Spanish. She hopes to be able to speak well enough in two months to do children's work in country churches.

DON McMURRAY

... Superintendent and ALEX SHEVCHUCK participated in the ordination service held for Loren Chang (Chang Shang Fong), during the 10th Annual General Council in Malaysia. They were classmates in Bethany Bible College. Loren is Business Manager in the Bible Institute of Malaysia and also a teacher. Loren's wife, Faith, also received her license at this conference. She teaches in the School.



E. L. COLE
President

FRONTIERSMAN CAMPING FRATERNITY

Mr. Jerry Flory, Mr. Ray Tice, and Mr. Ed Anderson were each initiated into the Frontiersman Camping Fraternity during the recent Camporee held in Sunol Valley Regional Park June 22-24.

"Mr. Frontiersman", Mr. Paul Johnson and the President of the Frontiersman, Mr. Glenn Toliver are shown with the display of this Royal Ranger advanced organization.



Eligibility in the Frontiersmen is based upon achievement and advancement in the Royal Rangers. Commanders to be eligible must have completed the entire training and have earned their Medal of Achievement.

The next District event initiating men and boys into this exclusive fraternity will be held the last of August. For further information write the "Frontiersman Scribe," Box 961, Santa Cruz, California 95060.

RESIGNATIONS

Because of greater responsibilities and wider fields of ministry, Mr. J. P. Jones and Mr. Phil Sondeno have resigned their respective posts in the Men's Fellowship Department.


For the past four years Mr. Jones has served as District Secretary and Mr. Sondeno as District Chairman of Light for the Lost. Since Mr. Sondeno has become Chairman of the National Council of Light for the Lost and Mr. Jones has become Chairman of the National Council of Action Crusades they both decided their added responsibilities are such that they needed to relinquish their District positions.

Men's Fellowship will miss both these men from its executive level in the District because the tremendous growth of the Department is in large measure due to their many efforts.

Mr. Lyle Romack also resigned as Chairman of the Royal Rangers division of the "120" and by virtue of that office as District Deputy Commander. Mr. Romack was the designer of the recent Camporee in Sunol, California. He has served in this capacity for approximately six months.

LIGHT FOR THE LOST

The Third Annual Missionary Convention for 1967 at Calvary Temple Assembly of God in Modesto, California, proved to be one of the most outstanding missionary endeavors in its history. The event was highlighted on several occasions throughout the convention. Rev. Lowell Dowdy, missionary to Ecuador, Rev. Bill Williams, missionary to Europe, the National Council of LIGHT FOR THE LOST chairman, Phil Sondeno, plus nine foreign Bethany students hosted the convention. The most outstanding decorative attraction was the five foot in diameter replica of the world accented by the effective rays of light coming from the large open Bible in the main auditorium. The nine Bethany students were present to host the Saturday evening international smorgasbord and presented an outstanding program afterward. Phil Sondeno made a special appearance Sunday morning to accept a check for the pledged amount of \$1500 made by Calvary Temple Assembly at the District Men's Fellowship Victory Banquet toward LIGHT FOR THE LOST literature. The outcome of the convention yielded \$2800 in pledges, plus the \$1500 to LIGHT FOR THE LOST, and \$760 in cash to be used entirely for the mission field. "To God be the glory!"

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is filled with nameless fears
As we listen to the newscasts
that come daily to our ears,
And we view the threatening future
with sad sobriety
As we're surrounded daily
by increased anxiety ...
How can we find security
or stand on solid ground
When there's violence and dissension
and confusion all around;
Where can we go for refuge
from the rising tides of hate,
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is not ours to understand,
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of the great Creator's Hand,
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that our every need is known
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our anxieties and care,
For doubt and fear are vanquished
in the peacefulness of prayer.

—Helen Steiner Rice



WOMENS MISSIONARY COUNCIL

GOLDIA ANDERSON
President



1. Mrs. Goldia Anderson, District WMC President, was the speaker at a lovely Sunday after noon Tea at Community Full Gospel Church in Modesto. Pictured (left to right): Mrs. Fern Arrowwood, Mrs. Beverly Gossett and Mrs. Mariana Porter (seated).

2. Mrs. Helene Hills, Missionettes Director for Capital Section.

3. Mrs. Florence Tracy, Missionettes Director For Butte Section.



GUEST EDITORIAL

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from sickness and have seen God keep His covenant of healing.
HOLINESS

Holiness is the height of prosperity, because it is true godly prosperity. Jesus talked about this when He said, "... Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal; for where your heart is there will your treasure be also ..."

True holiness is a condition of life that begins with inner spiritual experience of cleansing and then emanates out to every part of our being. Holiness is soul-prosperity. It is a richness of the spirit that is so meaningful and satisfying that the fleshly, natural life is subordinate to the spiritual life.

Again in III John we have characteristics of holiness. In Vs. 3:3. "... walking in the truth ...", Vs. 5. "... consistent in conduct ...", Vs. 6. "... filled with the love for God and for others."

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Fear and uncertainty begin their work until one of three things happens.

He is frustrated until conflicts within trouble him. Regardless of how hard he works, or how much God prospers the church, his salary stays the same year after year. There just isn't any answer. This begins to affect his relationship with his wife and family, and with the church. As these relationships deteriorate his ministry becomes less effective instead of growing richer as it should in these mature years.

Or, he begins to divide his time with some secular interest and goes out of the realm of the ministry to look for some financial supplement to his inadequate income. Thus his interest is divided and he never reaches the heights in the ministry that he should have reached.

Or, he quits the ministry and turns to the secular field. Many of our top men have gone this route. The church needs these men. Just at the time when they could have contributed the most to the church we have lost them.

It was said of Abraham Lincoln, "He was a nobody from nowhere until he was 40." Most of our great men have been successful before they were 40, but they have made their greatest contribution to the world after they were 40. **WHEN THE CHURCH LOSES A MINISTER AT THIS AGE IT IS TRULY A GREAT LOSS.**

WHAT IS THE REMEDY?

A prominent magazine printed an article recently telling of a group of 1,000 ministers in a certain area of the United States who are seriously planning a union for the clergy, to bargain for better salary distribution, unemployment insurance, and boards to handle clergy-lay disputes.

I DOUBT VERY MUCH IF THIS IS THE RIGHT ANSWER.

I HAVE ANOTHER PLAN THAT I BELIEVE WILL WORK.

We have held dinner meetings for pastors and board members and their wives in each section of our state. In these meetings we have outlined the problems in this field, and then opened the meeting for discussion.

I have found our church boards largely made up of business men who are successful and intelligent men. I have never heard a negative note from a board member in any of these meetings. When they have had the answers they have acted almost unanimously to correct these situations. I have found them to be **JUST AS INTERESTED AS I AM IN FURTHERING THE KINGDOM OF GOD IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND THEIR DISTRICT.**

It seems evident to me that the **CHURCH BOARD IS THE KEY TO THIS SITUATION.** They are all aware of Union negotiations each year for higher pay according to the rise in living costs. Retirement programs and fringe benefits are commonly discussed among them. I have found that these men will act when they are informed.

OUR BETTER AND MORE SUCCESSFUL CHURCHES ARE:

EVALUATING THE PASTOR'S SALARY ONCE EACH YEAR, asking these questions: 1. Is the salary realistic? 2. Is it keeping pace with the rising cost of living? 3. Is the church paying the pastor what they are able to pay? 4. Has the salary kept pace with a growing church?

FOLLOWING THE TREND OF THE LARGER COMPANIES AND PAYING THE PASTOR'S HOSPITAL INSURANCE. This takes the worry over prolonged illness away from him and relieves them of the moral responsibility they would feel if he were to have a long and expensive illness.

The business-like church of today is treating the 10,000 miles that the pastor drives his car in their interest as a business expense and paying him a car allowance each week.

RETIREMENT

The older denominations have had such a shortage of ministers that they have come to a compulsory retirement program for their churches, as an added inducement for men to choose the ministry as an occupation. The Assemblies of God foresee this shortage, and are offering a retirement program - the Ministers' Benefit Association. It paid over 10% return the year 1965.

If the trend keeps up every church will be participating in this program for their pastor's retirement before too long. Almost every week I am called by a pastor or a board, and asked either to send information or come and speak with them about this program. Most of them are paying the equivalent of 6% of their pastor's salary into this plan.

A recent survey showed that almost 78% of our churches are reviewing their pastor's salary each year. 76% have raised the pastor's salary in the last twelve month period. There is a real upward trend in paying the insurance, car allowance, and retirement for our pastors.

I fully believe that with proper communication these programs to safeguard our future will operate almost 100% in our churches.

REMEMBER, OUR CHURCH MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ARE VITALLY INTERESTED IN THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD. WHEN THEY KNOW THE NEED AND WHY, THEY WILL ARISE TO MEET IT.



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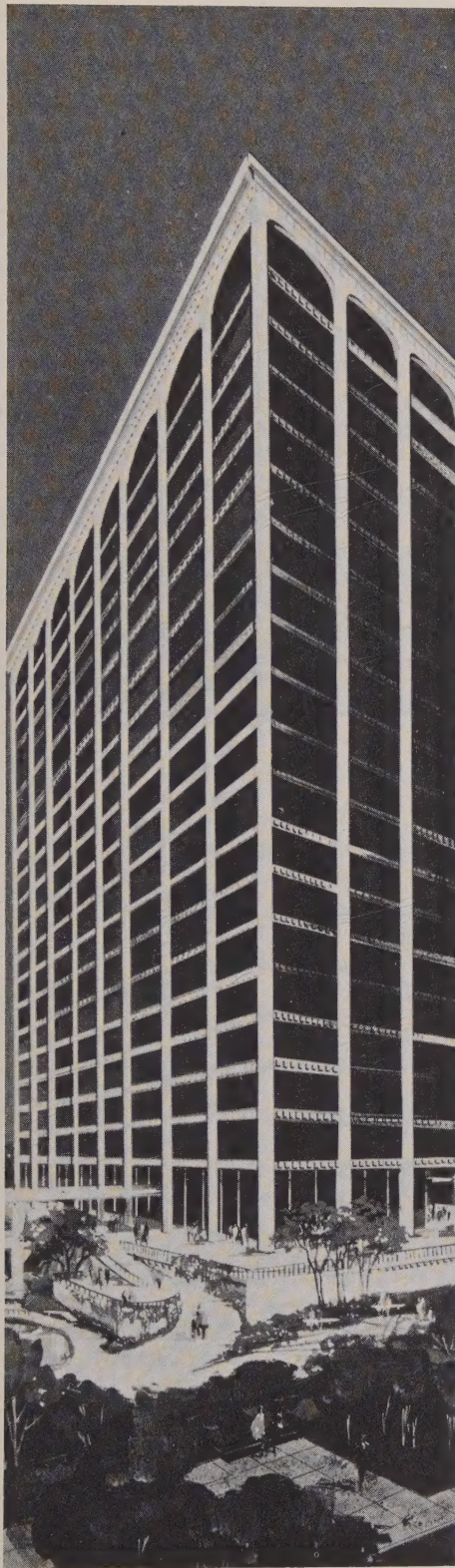
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Construction has begun on "BETHEL TOWERS" which is being built as a result of the interest of the members of the Assemblies of God churches to provide more adequate housing for the elderly with modest incomes. Through the efforts of the Southern California District Council of the Assemblies of God, Inc., a non-profit corporation, Bethel Towers of Costa Mesa, Calif., has been formed for this project. Information concerning "Bethel Towers" may be secured by writing:

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MORE PEOPLE & PLACES

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CALVARY TEMPLE, SAN JOSE

... "Reverend and Mrs. Bruce W. Taylor were recently installed as Christian Education Director and Associate Minister at a service conducted by Pastor Alexander W. Ness.

The Taylors, Bruce, Patricia and two sons, John 14 and Paul, 2, have come from the Hacienda Heights Assembly in Southern California.

Working with the Ness' will not be a new experience for the Taylors. They started attending the Queensway Cathedral in Toronto when it was being founded and for the next ten years served as S. S. Superintendent during which time the attendance grew from nothing to 600. Calvary Temple anticipates continued progress as the Ness-Taylor team again unite in extending the Kingdom of God."

ANNOUNCEMENT

HOMECOMING AND 40th ANNIVERSARY
August 6, 1967

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Pot-Luck dinner at 1:30 P.M., McBean Park. All of our friends are invited.

—Rev. Garland Covington, Pastor

NORTH MARIN ASSEMBLY — NOVATO

Sunday, June 25, 1967, a dedication service was held for the Pastor's Study at the North Marin Assembly of God, 1370 South Novato Boulevard, Novato, California.

This is the Pastor's Study which was built by the men of the church. The picture shows Brother Arnold Smith presenting the keys to the office to Pastor Soper. This room was made available by placing a ceiling in the open beam foyer. This created a room approximately 12 x 16 feet. The attics in the adjacent rooms were then converted into storage and work areas.



(left to right): Arnold Smith, Building Committee Chairman; Rev. Ed Anderson, District Chairman of Building and Lands Committee; and Pastor Kirk Soper.



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Ed and Gwen Weising and Wendy Jayne . . . Reverend Ed Weising has recently accepted the pastorate of the Elk Grove Assembly. He and his wife have served with Pastor Gene Forrest in the Lodi Assembly for the past four years.



Congratulations to newlyweds Orville and Sylvia Easterly who were married on June 10, in Santa Clara. In addition to serving as Pastor of Calvary Tabernacle, San Francisco, Reverend Easterly is enrolled in Golden Gate Seminary.

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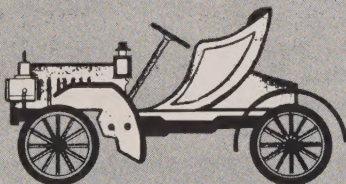
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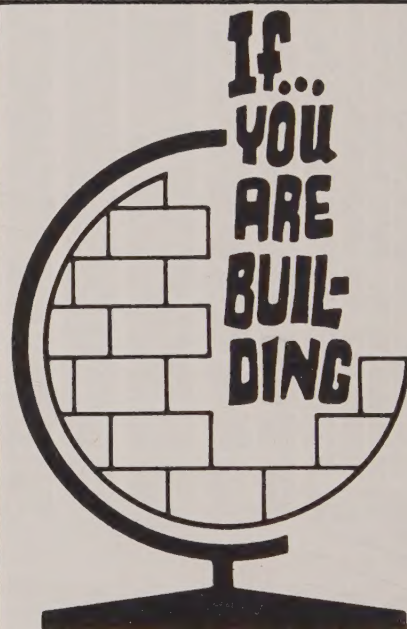
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CONGRATULATIONS

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Scott James Beebe was born to Rev. and Mrs. Larry Beebe on June 30th.

† IN MEMORIAM †

Sincere sympathy is expressed to the families of several of our beloved ministers who have recently gone to be with the Lord.

Reverend Ernest Adams, June 23;
Reverend George T. Tracy, July 4;
Reverend Homer Doyle, July 6.

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Lehmann also completed this life's journey.

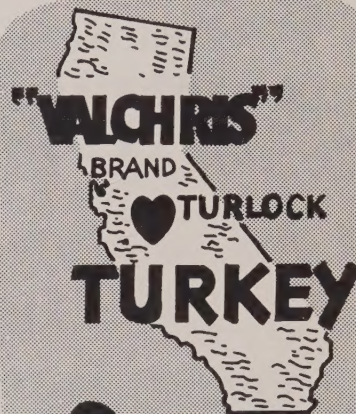
All of these faithful servants of

Christ have contributed a great deal of the work of the Kingdom and were well-known and well-loved throughout the District. It is a very real loss to the work of God to have so many of our beloved ministers gone from our presence. We want the bereaved to know that they have our deepest and sincerest prayers that God will give comfort in this time of sorrow.

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